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Dear Jim:

Subject: Expanded Cruising Activity

This is in reply to your letter of 14 September 1955 on this subject. I am aware of the special strain that members of your [] are under for the winter months and also realize that you have been kept busy in the summer months bringing your card files up-to-date. In this connection we are presently trying to find out if there is an interest in having files of this type reproduced for use here in Washington. I also understand that a representative of [] is going to visit Washington shortly and it may well be that the [] will find your collation of information interesting. You will hear more from us on this later.

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Your suggestion that another native slot be added to the T/O is acceptable, however I think you will have some difficulty in finding a man qualified to do the work. Perhaps it would be best if you started recruiting and if you find a qualified man we can seek an addition to your T/O without delay. Meanwhile, anything that you can do in this kind of monitoring will serve to demonstrate your capability and can be used possibly as a lever in securing more recognition of [] over-all capability which I am inclined to think is somewhat under-estimated at present. I have for some time felt that [] would benefit materially from being assigned a technical monitoring mission and given the people and money to do it. In addition to providing the information needed for the frequency register, we would at the same time be strengthening our own [] effort.

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Thank you for your interest in this matter and I wish you every success in finding a good man to spend full-time on this project.

Sincerely,

Chief, FBIS

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